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SUBJECT: BRAZILIAN-MEXICAN AGREEMENT ON PETROLEUM

1. THE BRAZILIAN OIL COMPANY, PETROBRAS, ITS MEXICAN COUNTERPART, PEMEX, AND THE MEXICAN PETROLEUM INSTITUTE (IMP) HAVE ENTERED INTO A TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AGREEMENT PROVIDING FOR THE EXCHANGE OF SCIENTIFIC, TECHNICAL, AND MARKETING INFORMATION. THE AGREEMENT WAS SIGNED ON APRIL 22 IN RIO DE JANEIRO, BY PETROBRAS PRESIDENT, ARAKEN DE OLIVEIRA AND BY THE DIRECTORS OF PEMEX AND IMP, ANTONIO DOVALI JAIME AND BRUNO MASCANZONI, RESPECTIVELY. THE AGREEMENT BASICALLY ENVISAGES COOPERATION IN THE AREAS OF EXPLORATION, PRODUCTION, TRANSPORTATION, REFINING, AND MARKETING OF PETROLEUM AND DERIVATIVES, AS WELL AS COOPERATION ON PETROCHEMICALS. IT ALSO PROVIDES FOR JOINT SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL RESEARCH PROJECTS, AND THE EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION ON EQUIPMENT SUPPLIERS, COST OF EQUIPMENT, AND LIKELY TIMING OF EQUIPMENT DELIVERY BY MANUFACTURERS

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OF BOTH COUNTRIES. SUBSEQUENT TO THE SIGNING OF THE

ARRANGEMENT, THE PEMEX DIRECTOR VISITED BRASILIA WHERE HE CALLED ON THE MINISTERS OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND MINES AND ENERGY.

2. O JORNAL DO BRASIL QUOTED DOVALI JAIME AS SAYING THAT PEMEX IS SWIFTLY DEVELOPING TECHNIQUES FOR THE PRODUCTION OF EQUIPMENT REQUIRED BY THE MEXICAN OIL INDUSTRY, SUCH AS DRILLS, VALVES, TANKS, PIPES, ETC. HE ALSO REPORTEDLY SAID THAT COOPERATION BETWEEN BRAZIL AND MEXICO WILL ENCOMPASS TRAINING OF EXPERTS, PRODUCTION OF EXPLORATION AND DRILLING EQUIPMENT AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF A SCHEME FOR THE COMMON USE OF OIL TANKERS OF BOTH COUNTRIES. DOVALI JAIME ALSO ADDED THAT MEXICO CURRENTLY HAS NO PLANS TO JOIN OPEC BECAUSE SATISFYING INTERNAL OIL DEMANDS IS MEXICO'S PRIMARY CONCERN AND THE EXTEND OF ITS PETROLEUM RESERVES HAS NOT YET BEEN DETERMINED.
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